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### **Miami Gardens Vice-Mayor Felicia Robinson Receives 2015 “Top Hat Salute to Women of Distinction Award”**



**Miami Gardens, FL – April 15, 2015** – The **City of Miami Gardens** proudly announces that **Vice-Mayor Felicia Robinson** is a recipient of the **2015 Top Hat Salute to Women of Distinction Award** sponsored by **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.**, Zeta Rho Omega Chapter.

The 2015 Top Hat Salute to Women of Distinction and Men of Excellence Award Luncheon will be held on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at the **Marriott Harbor Beach Hotel** in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Family, friends, co-workers, local and state dignitaries will join in recognition of Ms. Robinson and thirty-six additional honorees. The award luncheon will celebrate their distinguished achievements in the fields of healthcare, community service, education, entrepreneurship, and government. The deadline to purchase tickets, ads and sponsorships for the luncheon is Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>.

This year marks the seventh year of the award presentation, where women and men of the community will be honored for their contributions in areas of human endeavor that embrace the precept of Alpha Kappa Alpha’s “Service to All Mankind.” Actor **Boris Kodjoe** of the hit TV series **Real Husbands of Hollywood** will be the featured Master of Ceremonies for the event.

Vice-Mayor Felicia Robinson is a native of the City of Miami Gardens. She is a community activist, and has worked in the **Miami-Dade Public School System** for over twenty years.

Ms. Robinson was elected to the **Miami Gardens City Council** in August 2010, and currently serves on many boards for the City, the State, and the South Florida educational arena. Vice-Mayor Robinson sponsored the resolution to develop **Miami Gardens’ Citizens on Patrol Program (C.O.P.P)**, and also participated in the first graduating class for the C.O.P.P. Recently, Vice-Mayor Robinson launched monthly **“Meet Me Monday”** meetings to address residents’ concerns, target issues of childhood success, and further healthy community initiatives.

Vice-Mayor Robinson matriculated at Tuskegee University, University of Miami and Barry University. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree and Master’s Degree in Mathematics, and also a Specialist Degree in Educational Leadership.

## **About the City of Miami Gardens**

The City of Miami Gardens was incorporated on May 13, 2003, and is the 33rd city in Miami-Dade County. With a population of approximately 110,000, it is the third largest city in Miami-Dade County. Miami Gardens is a solid, working and middle class community of unique diversity. It is the largest predominantly African-American municipality in Florida and boasts many Caribbean and Hispanic residents. The City hosted the 2010 FedEx Orange Bowl, the 2010 NFL Pro Bowl™, Super Bowl XLIV™, 2013 Orange Bowl and 2013 BCS National Championship game. The City has demonstrated steady growth in the areas of community and economic development, and has gained a reputation for being a hot destination in South Florida. [www.miamigardens-fl.gov](http://www.miamigardens-fl.gov).

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